

We understand that you are considering an application from SBC Pacific Bell to enter the long distance market. We urge you to endorse Pacific Bell's request as we welcome the emergence of new telecommunication opportunities for them and open competition for better rates for the consumer, who will be the ultimate beneficiaries. Increased competition will bring lower long distance rates, more choices and better service.

Pacific Bell has been a trusted business partner in our community for over 100 years and should be allowed to freely compete in the marketplace.

Sincerely  
Leigh Nixon,  
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